Dean’s Report
December 2017
*additional information presented by the Dean at Faculty Board

KUDOs to You
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Sharing international experiences

Helping international students thrive

Canada’s first Inuk heart surgeon

Queen’s researchers receive $3.56 million in Insight grants from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council.

Post-doctoral fellow Kelly Suschinsky is one of only five Canadian women honoured with a research award from L’Oréal and UNESCO.

We’ve been BUSY

EQUITY, DIVERSITY and INDIGENEITY

On October 13, 2017, Department Heads and the Faculty of Arts and Science Leadership Team participated in KAIROS Blanket Exercise facilitated by Four Directions Aboriginal Student Centre.

A number of FAS Faculty attended the International Science Gender Summit held in Montreal this year. (Summit Resources)

Diversity and Inclusion Round-Table Discussion

Inaugural UCARE members announced

Inclusive hiring at Queen’s

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INTERNATIONALIZATION

Global Education for Canadians – study report
Last month, the Report of the Study Group on Global Education for Canadians was presented by the Centre for International Policy Studies and the Munk School of Global Affairs. The report raises the concern that we are not adequately preparing young Canadians for our rapidly changing world and not adequately providing opportunities to acquire the necessary skills for a 21st century global workplace. It outlines a number of recommendations to expand the number of Canadian students going abroad for learning experiences (i.e. study, research, work-integrated learning, community-service learning) and a call to action for governments, educational institutions and the private sector to make a meaningful investment and commitment to increase the mobility of Canadian students. Another key recommendation to highlight is the need to expand our international programs to the emerging market regions and countries such as Brazil, India, China, and Mexico. We need to diversify our current offerings. One of the co-chairs of the report is Dr. Margaret Biggs, Matthews Fellow on Global Public Policy in the School of Policy Studies. The Leadership Team will be inviting Dr. Biggs to discuss the report’s findings as we develop our strategy for increasing the international mobility opportunities for our students and access to funding to make it more accessible. We highly recommend reading the report and encourage departments to think about how to encourage more of our Canadian students to go abroad. If you have ideas that you would like to explore further, please contact Jenny Corlett, Director of International Initiatives for FAS, and she would be happy to discuss your ideas, potential partners, and provide information on possible funding sources. Jenny can be reached by email at jenny.corlett@queensu.ca.

Visiting delegations
A delegation from the Beijing Forestry University (BFU) in China will be visiting Queen’s University on Friday 8 December to discuss potential collaborations in the areas of research and student/faculty mobility. They will be meeting with the Departments of Geography and Planning and the Department of Biology. BFU is a top institution for higher education specialized in forestry and ecological environment, and is under the direct leadership of the Ministry of Education of China. BFU has developed itself from a forestry college into a multi-disciplinary national key university, with forestry, biology and forestry engineering as its leading disciplines, and with an extensive coverage of courses in sciences, engineering, management, economics, liberal arts, law, and philosophy.

Meeting our International Students
I had lunch with 15 international students on November 28. The students raised some of their encounters into racism, the importance of QSuccess, and extending the ASUS exchange buddies program to include the international students who are here for their entire degree. They also discussed the importance of domestic students learning about international students.
There has been significant activity in post-secondary and advisory bodies on the importance of international mobility. Check-out:

- Canadian Bureau for International Education
- World Link program wraps for semester with focus on inclusivity
- International Scholarships
- Mitacs International Mobility Opportunities

Other International News:

International partnership celebrates first graduate

RESEARCH AND GRADUATE

A new Research Projects Advisor will be joining us in January 2018. Hakan Karatas starts January 22, 2018 and will be a URS/Faculty of Arts and Science Research Projects Advisor, working with Vera Kettnaker and Kelly Cathcart to provide service to the Natural Sciences and Engineering research community. Hakan holds a Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering from Marmara University (Turkey) and has more than 10 years of experience working in Turkey in research grant application and management facilitation, including as Director of International Cooperation with TUBITAK (The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey). He is familiar with European research funding opportunities and has liaised with NSERC, NRC, and MITACS. Hakan will be located in URS for the first few months and will then move to the Faculty of Arts and Science. URS and the FAS will work closely together to help ensure seamless, high quality service is provided to our researchers.

Faculty members honoured for excellence in graduate student supervision

INTELLECTUAL nourishment

Today's Top Ten in Higher Ed

The Higher Education Quality Council of Ontario (HEQCO)

More students need to study abroad. It’s vital to Canada’s success

International students entering Canada up 22% to 270,000

The University of China at Illinois

Did we miss something? Let us know.